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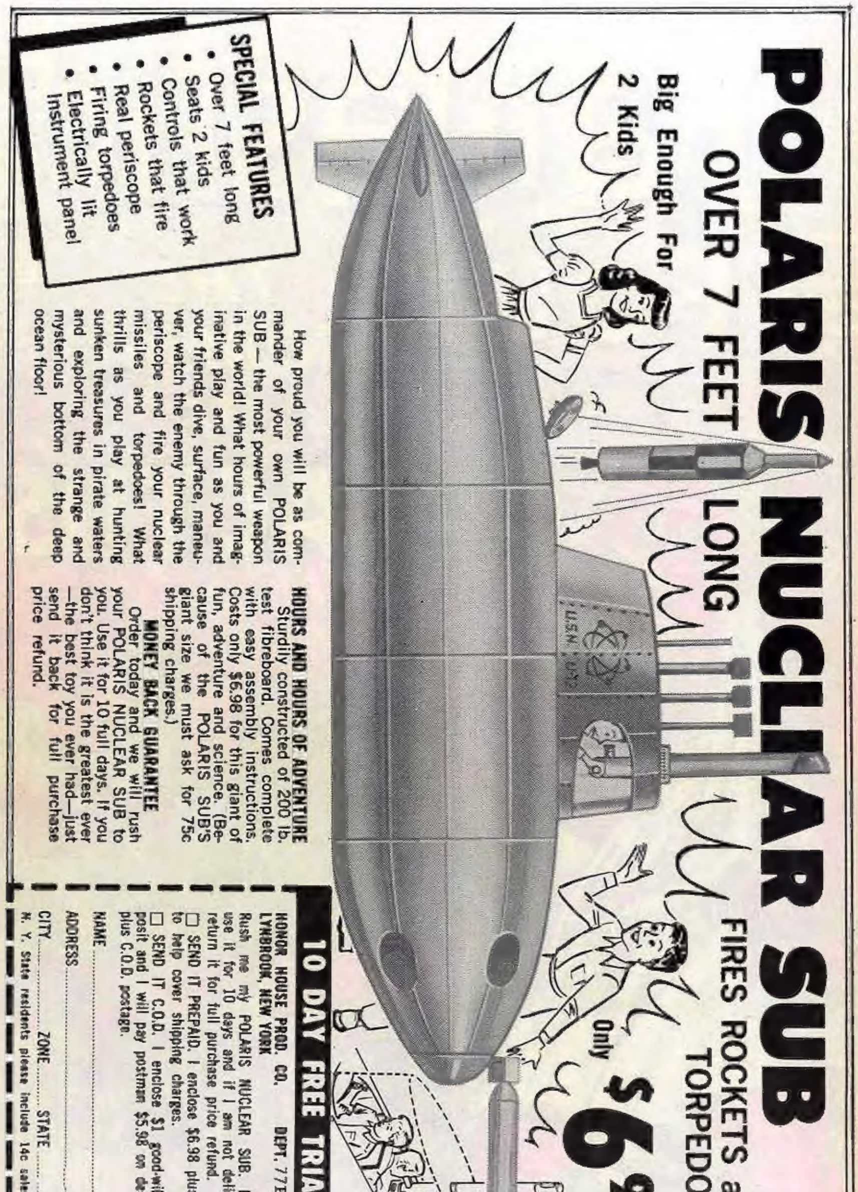

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THE FABULOUS F.F. FACE THE MOST POWERFUL FOE OF ALL!
"IF THIS BE DOOMSDAY!"
GALACTUS HAS LANDED ON EARTH! ANY ADDITIONAL WORDS OF OURS WOULD SIMPLY PALL BESIDE THE AWESOME PORTENT OF THAT ONE STAGGERING PHRASE! GALACTUS HAS LANDED ON EARTH... AND HUMANITY ITSELF TOTTERS ON THE BRINK OF --- DOOMSDAY!
GALACTUS HAS SEEN THE WATCHER! THEY'RE FACING EACH OTHER! STAY BACK! ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN!
HE'S A GIANT! HE SEEMS TO BE POWER PERSONIFIED! REED --- WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO US??
THE WATCHER IS SPEAKING TO HIM! THEY..THEY ACT LIKE THEY KNOW EACH OTHER!
IF WE'RE GONNA HAVETA TACKLE HIM, THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO GIT INTO SOME OTHER KINDA BUSINESS!
IF YA ASK ME, THAT BOZO LOOKS LIKE HE COULD PULVERIZE THE WATCHER WITH HIS EYES SHUT!
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INKED IN THE MAJESTIC MOOD OF JOE SINNOTT!
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AND THEN, GALACTUS SPEAKS---
SO! 'TWAS YOU WHO CONSPIRED TO HIDE THIS PALTRY WORLD FROM THE EYES OF GALACTUS! KNOW YOU NOT THAT NONE MAY THWART MY WILL ??
HEED MY WORDS, PILLAGER OF THE PLANETS! THIS TINY SPECK OF MATTER UPON WHICH WE STAND CONTAINS INTELLIGENT LIFE! YOU MUST NOT DESTROY IT!
OF WHAT IMPORT ARE BRIEF, NAME-LESS LIVES...TO GALACTUS??
BIG AS HE IS... NO SWELL-HEADED CLOWN IS GONNA TALK ABOUT US THAT AWAY!
CAN IT REALLY BE?? DOES HE ACTUALLY MEAN TO ATTACK THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE??
SEE HOW HE IGNORES US... AS THOUGH WE'RE OF NO CONSEQUENCE!
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IT IS NOT MY INTENTION TO INJURE ANY LIVING BEING! BUT... I MUST REPLENISH MY ENERGY! IF PETTY CREATURES ARE WIPED OUT WHEN I DRAIN A PLANET, IT IS REGRETTABLE... BUT UNAVOIDABLE!
WATCHER, SINCE YOU SEEM FAMILIAR WITH THOSE PUNY CREATURES, I SUGGEST YOU ADVISE THEM TO HOLD THEIR TONGUES... BEFORE I ERASE THEM WITH ONE STROKE!
YOU OVERSIZED CREEP! WHAT DO YA THINK WE'LL BE DOIN' WHILE YOU'RE TRYIN' TO MESS AROUND HERE?? WE'LL WHITTLE YA DOWN TA SIZE, THAT'S WHAT!
TAKE WARNING, GALACTUS! THEY ARE LESS PUNY THAN YOU THINK! AND THE WATCHER STANDS BESIDE THEM IN THIS FATEFUL HOUR!
THEN YOU WOULD VIOLATE YOUR PLEDGE NEVER TO INTERFERE IN COSMIC AFFAIRS? SO BE IT! DESPITE YOUR POWER... WHICH I KNOW FULL WELL...IT MUST NOT BE FORGOTTEN... I AM SUPREME UNTO MYSELF... I AM GALACTUS!
THIS PLANET CONTAINS THE ENERGY I NEED TO SUSTAIN ME! I SHALL ABSORB IT AT WILL... AS I HAVE DONE FOR AGES, IN COUNTLESS GALAXIES THRUOUT THE COSMOS!
BUT THE OTHERS WERE DEAD WORLDS... NO HARM WAS DONE! THERE ARE BILLIONS OF LIVING BEINGS ON EARTH!
THAT CAN BE OF NO CONCERN..TO GALACTUS!
THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK, BIG MOUTH! WE'LL MAKE IT YER CONCERN!
WHOOOM!
IT'S CLOBBERIN' TIME!
HE DIDN'T EVEN FEEL IT! MY EXTRA-SPECIAL SUNDAY-PUNCH... AND IT WAS LIKE NOTHIN'VILLE!
NOW WHAT? HE DROPPED SOME KINDA NUTTY CAPSULE IN FRONT O'ME!
BEN! LOOK OUT! RUN... RUN!
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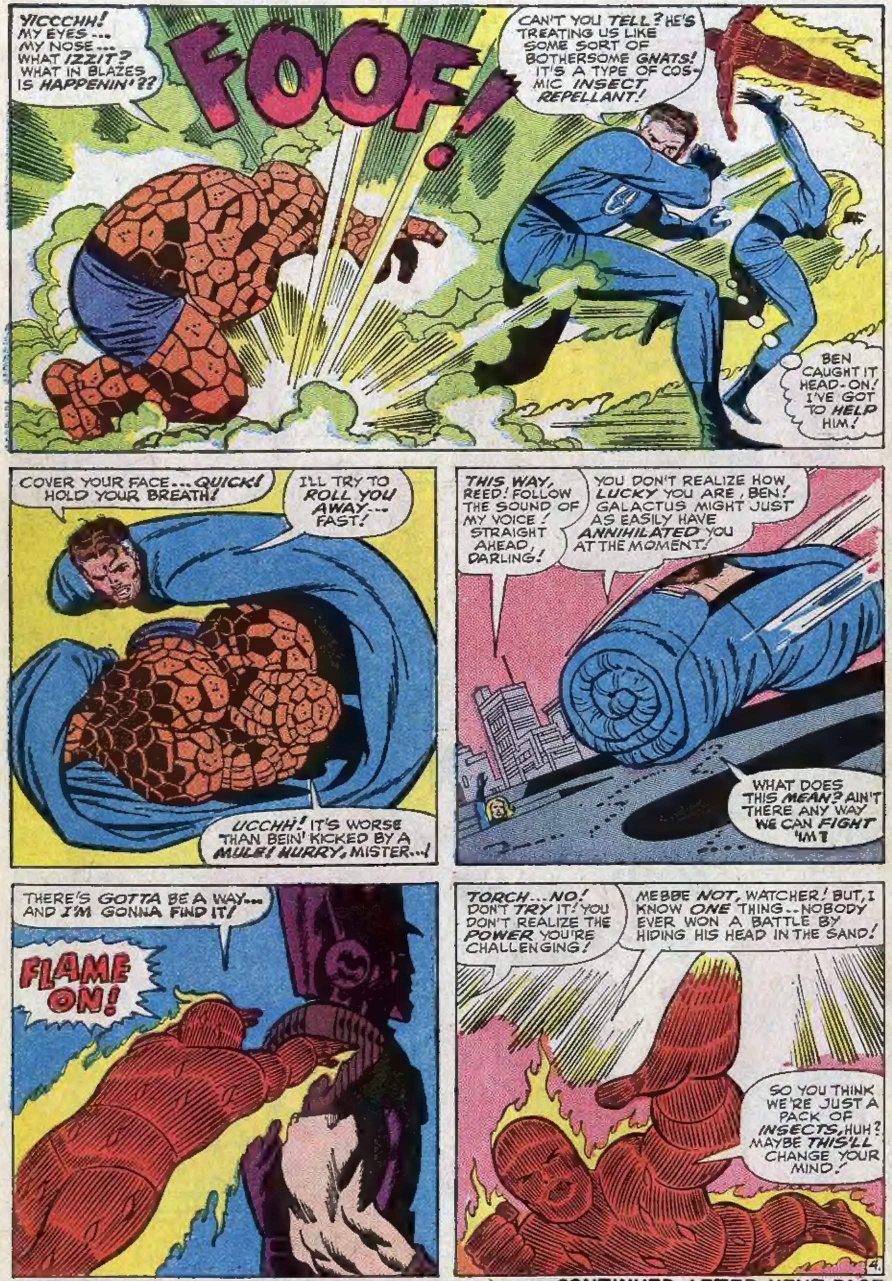

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YOU PUNY HUMAN GNATS CAN BE MORE ANNOYING THAN I HAD SUPPOSED!
HE'S BACK TO NORMAL AGAIN! ..SHOOTING SOME SORT OF RAYS AT ME..!
UGHHH! HE'S MADE THE ACTUAL ELECTRONS IN MY FLAME CONTRACT... JUST BY LOOKING AT ME!
I'M GETTING COVERED WITH SOOT..AND ASHES ..THEY'RE SMOTHER-ING MY FIRE!
THE SMOKE IS TOO THICK... IT'S ENGULFING ME... CHOKING ME..! CAN'T FLY ANY MORE! I'VE GOT TO LAND!
HE TOOK THE WORST I COULD TOSS AT HIM WITHOUT BLINKING AN EYE...
..THEN HE STOPPED ME DEAD IN MY TRACKS WITHOUT HALF TRYING!
WHAT CHANCE CAN EARTH HAVE AGAINST SOME-ONE LIKE HIM? HOW DO WE FIGHT HIM? HOW CAN WE STOP HIM??
LOOK AT HIM NOW! HE TURNED HIS BACK TO ME... I'M BENEATH HIS NOTICE!
THE SAME WAY I'D IGNORE A FLEA, AFTER I'D BRUSHED IT AWAY!
THERE IS NOTHING MORE YOU CAN DO HERE! RETURN TO THE OTHERS! YOU SHALL HEAR FROM ME ANON!
THE SILVER SURFER! WHERE IS HE? WHERE IS MY HERALD?
I FORGOT! THE LAST WE SAW OF THE SURFER, BEN HAD KNOCKED HIM OFF THE ROOF!
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SECONDS LATER...
JOHNNY! LOOK AT YOU! WHAT HAPPENED THERE...ON THE ROOF?
I JUST REALIZED HOW A MOSQUITO MUST FEEL WHEN SOMEONE SWATS IT! GALACTUS MADE A MONKEY OUT OF ME!
WE'VE GOTTA DO SOMETHING! WE CAN'T JUST LEAVE IT ALL TO THE WATCHER! EVEN HE'S NO MATCH FOR THAT TWO-LEGGED NIGHTMARE UP THERE!
REED WANTS US TO WAIT, JOHNNY! HE SAYS WE MUST BIDE OUR TIME...UNTIL WE CAN DECIDE WHAT MUST BE DONE!
IN THE MEANTIME, WHY DON'T YOU GET CLEANED UP?
WHAT'S WITH YOU GUYS?! GALACTUS IS PLANNING TO TEAR OUR PLANET APART, AND YOU'RE MAKIN' LIKE A TV SHAVING COMMERCIAL!!!
RELAX, JOHNNY! WE BEEN TRYIN' TO COOK UP A PLAN!
NO HARM IN TIDYING UP WHILE WE'RE THINKING, IS THERE, LAD? YOU COULD USE A SHOWER YOURSELF!
NUTS! YOU'RE JUST GIVING UP, THAT'S ALL! ADMIT IT!
IF ANYONE ELSE SAID THAT TO ME, I'D FLATTEN 'IM, KID!
WE ALL WENT OFF HALF-COCKED, JOHNNY... AND LOOK WHERE IT GOT US! NOW STOP THINKING WITH YOUR MOUTH AND SETTLE DOWN, BOY!
ANYWAY, WE GOT SOME LICKS IN! I BELTED THAT SILVER SURFER CLEAR ACROSS TOWN!
AND, EVEN AS BEN SPEAKS, THE STRANGE COSMIC CREATURE SLOWLY BEGINS TO REGAIN CONSCIOUSNESS ...FOR, ALTHOUGH THE SUDDEN IMPACT HAD SHOCKED HIM INTO INSENSIBILITY, A BEING WHO STRADDLES THE STARWAYS... WHO SURFS THROUGH THE STORMS OF SPACE... CAN HARDLY BE INJURED BY A SINGLE BLOW...NO MATTER HOW POWERFUL IT MAY HAVE BEEN...
KLACK!
SOMETHING HAS FALLEN THROUGH THE SKYLIGHT BEHIND ME! WHAT CAN IT BE?
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TRULY, THE WORKINGS OF FATE ARE STRANGELY UNFATHOMABLE! FOR, THE STUDIO IN WHICH THE GLEAMING STRANGER HAS FALLEN BELONGS TO ALICIA MASTERS, THE BLIND SCULPTRESS... THE BELOVED OF BEN GRIMM!
A VOICE SOFTLY MOANING! WHOEVER IT IS... MUST NEED HELP!
THE FACE OF A MAN! YET... DIFFERENT... FAR DIFFERENT FROM ANY I HAVE EVER FELT BEFORE!
MAN? I AM MORE THAN MAN! I AM THE SILVER SURFER! I AM THE HERALD OF GALACTUS!
SILVER SURFER? GALACTUS? I...I'M AFRAID I DON'T UNDERSTAND...
WHAT DOES IT MATTER? UNDERSTANDING CANNOT ALTER THE WAYS OF DESTINY!
I'VE NEVER HEARD ANYONE SPEAK SO...SO STRANGELY! AND YET, THERE IS A CERTAIN 'NOBILITY' IN YOUR VOICE!
NOBILITY? THE WORD HAS NO MEANING TO ME!
YOU DO NOT SEE! ARE ALL EARTHLINGS THUS AFFLICTED?
WHY, NO... OF COURSE NOT!
THEN...YOU REALLY ARE NOT OF THIS PLANET?? IT...IT'S INCREDIBLE!
INCREDIBLE??
NAY, IT IS SUPREMELY CREDIBLE! EARTH IS BUT A TWINKLING DOT... A PALTRY PEBBLE... IN THE VASTNESS OF SPACE!
YOUR FACE! NEVER HAVE I SENSED SUCH UNIMAGINABLE LONELINESS IN A LIVING BEING!
PERHAPS YOU ARE HUNGRY? LET ME GIVE YOU SOMETHING TO EAT, WHILE I TRY TO UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'VE BEEN SAYING.
HUNGRY? EAT? CAN IT BE THAT YOU ACTUALLY CONSUME THESE FOREIGN MORSELS?
GALACTUS IS RIGHT! THE MYSTERIES OF THE UNIVERSE ARE TRULY WITHOUT LIMIT!
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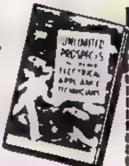

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ANOTHER FEW SECONDS WON'T MATTER, BEN!
WHAT IS IT, WATCHER? WHAT MORE CAN THERE BE FOR US TO DISCUSS?
WITH AN EFFORTLESS WAVE OF HIS HAND, THE SOMBER, TOWERING FIGURE CAUSES A SCREEN OF LIGHT TO APPEAR ON THE WALL... AND THEN...
BEFORE YOU CAN BATTLE A FOE, YOU MUST KNOW ALL ABOUT HIM!
THINK OF GALACTUS AS A GOLD MINER... PROSPECTING IN SPACE! BUT, INSTEAD OF ORE, HE DIGS FOR ENERGY!
THE DEVICE HE IS CONSTRUCTING ON THE ROOF ABOVE IS AN ELEMENTAL CONVERTER... AND ITS RANGE EXTENDS TO THIS ENTIRE PLANET!
IT HAS ONE PURPOSE... AND ONE ALONE! IT IS CREATED TO CONVERT THE OCEANS OF EARTH INTO PURE ENERGY... ENERGY WHICH GALACTUS CAN HOARD FOR HIMSELF!
KEEP YOUR EYES UPON THE TRANSI-SCREEN WHICH I HAVE MATERIALIZED IN FRONT OF YOU... IT WILL REVEAL VISUAL IMAGES OF ALL THAT I SAY!
WITHIN A MATTER OF MINUTES, GALACTUS' ELEMENTAL CONVERTER WILL HAVE DEHYDRATED EVERY SEA... DRIED OUT EVERY BODY OF WATER KNOWN TO MAN!
THEN, AS HE CONTINUES HIS RELENTLESS SEARCH FOR ENERGY, HIS RAY WILL STRIKE THE CITIES THEMSELVES! MANKIND WILL HAVE TO UNDERTAKE THE GREATEST MASS EVACUATION IN HISTORY!

BUT EVENTUALLY THE HUMAN RACE WILL HAVE NO PLACE LEFT TO RUN! THE PLANET-ENCIRCLING RAY WILL REDUCE THE ENTIRE GLOBE TO A LIFELESS, EMPTY
AND WHEN EARTH'S FIERY CORE ITSELF IS DRAINED GALACTUS WILL DEPART, LEAVING BEHIND NOTHING MORE THAN A FEW FADING FRAGMENTS OF WHAT WAS ONCE AN INHABITED WORLD!
IT'S UNTHINKABLE! IT CAN'T HAPPEN! IT MUSTN'T HAPPEN! THERE MUST BE A WAY TO STOP HIM!
IT'S LIKE SOME MAD INCONCEIVABLE NIGHTMARE... BUT, ONE FROM WHICH WE CAN NEVER AWAKE!
WHAT ARE WE WAITIN' FOR?? WE SURE AS HECK AIN'T GONNA TAKE THIS LYIN' DOWN!!!
NATURALLY YOU WISH TO FIGHT BACK... AS, INDEED YOU SHOULD!
BUT YOU MUST DO SO WITH WISDOM! THE WATCHER HAS A PLAN!
A PLAN?? PLANS ARE A DIME A DOZEN! WHAT WE NEED IS POWER! THE POWER TO STOP GALACTUS!
BEAR WITH ME! I KNOW OF A MACHINE... THE LIKE OF WHICH CANNOT BE FOUND ON EARTH! A MACHINE WHICH MAY SAVE THE HUMAN RACE!
WHERE IS IT? WE MUST HAVE
ALAS IT IS IN A PLACE THAT ONLY THE HUMAN TORCH CAN REACH! SINCE I AM FORBIDDEN TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN ANY CRUCIAL CONFLICT, IT IS HE WHO MUST OBTAIN IT!

AND, AT THAT MOMENT... IN THE APARTMENT OF ALICIA MASTERS...
THE PROCESS YOU TERM EATING IS FAR TOO WASTEFUL!
HOW MUCH SIMPLER IT IS TO CONVERT ALL THOSE ITEMS INTO PURE ENERGY! FOR ENERGY ALONE IS... POWER!
IN THIS MANNER, NOT A SINGLE GRAM SHALL BE WASTED!
THAT SUDDEN HEAT I FEEL! WHAT CAN HE BE DOING?
AND THE OBJECTS IN THIS ROOM... PICTURES, BITS OF SCULPTURE.. DECORATIONS.. THEY ARE ALL WASTEFUL!
BEFORE THE GREAT GALACTUS IS DONE, EVERYTHING SHALL BE REDUCED TO SHEER ENERGY!
YOU... YOU MEAN -- IN SOME MAD, UNBELIEVABLE, NIGHTMARISH WAY... YOU MEAN IT! YOU INTEND TO DESTROY THE EARTH!
DESTROY IS MERELY A WORD! WE SIMPLY CHANGE THINGS! WE CHANGE ELEMENTS INTO ENERGY... THE ENERGY WHICH SUSTAINS GALACTUS! FOR, IT IS ONLY HE THAT MATTERS!
NO! NO! WE ALL MATTER! EVERY LIVING BEING... EVERY BIRD AND BEAST... THIS IS OUR WORLD! OURS!
PERHAPS WE ARE NOT AS POWERFUL AS YOUR GALACTUS .. BUT WE HAVE HEARTS... WE HAVE SOULS. WE LIVE... BREATHE.. FEEL! CAN'T YOU SEE THAT?? ARE YOU AS BLIND AS I??
AUTOMATICALLY, THE GLISTENING HAND OF THE SILVER SURFER RAISES TOWARDS THE SHOUTING GIRL... AS IF TO SILENCE HER FOREVER WITH A GESTURE! BUT THEN... HE PAUSES...
NEVER HAVE I HEARD SUCH WORDS... SENSED SUCH COURAGE...
...OR KNOWN THIS STRANGE FEELING... THIS NEW EMOTION...!
THERE IS A WORD SOME RACES USE. A WORD I HAVE NEVER UNDERSTOOD... UNTIL NOW!
AT LAST I KNOW... BEAUTY!
THEN YOU ARE NOT JUST A SOULLESS MONSTER! YOU TOO HAVE EMOTIONS! I KNEW IT! I FELT IT FROM THE FIRST!
NO! SAY NO MORE! DO NOT BUILD UP YOUR HOPES! I AM WHAT I MUST BE.
I SERVE GALACTUS!
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BUT LOOK! LOOK AT THE CITY BELOW YOU! LOOK AT THE PEOPLE! EACH OF THEM IS ENTITLED TO LIFE... TO HAPPINESS... EACH OF THEM IS... HUMAN!
HUMAN? WHAT CAN THAT WORD MEAN TO ME?
AND YET, NEVER HAVE I BEHELD A SPECIES FROM SUCH CLOSE RANGE! NEVER HAVE I EVER FELT THIS NEW SENSATION... THIS THING SOME CALL... PITY!
AND, IN THE STREETS BELOW, THE CROWDS... STARTLED... APPREHENSIVE... CORDONED OFF BY HASTILY-ERECTED POLICE BLOCKADES... GROW EVER BIGGER, EVER MORE FEARFUL...!
IT ISN'T A ROBOT ATOP THE BAXTER BUILDING! THE GIANT IS ALIVE! I TELL YOU... HE'S ALIVE!
WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN? WHAT CAN IT MEAN??
EVEN THE AUTHORITIES ARE AT A LOSS AS TO WHAT TO DO!
WHERE'S THE FANTASTIC FOUR?? WHY DON'T THEY DO SOMETHING?
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I'VE GOT A HUNCH IT MAY ALSO BE THE LAST STORY OF THE AGE!
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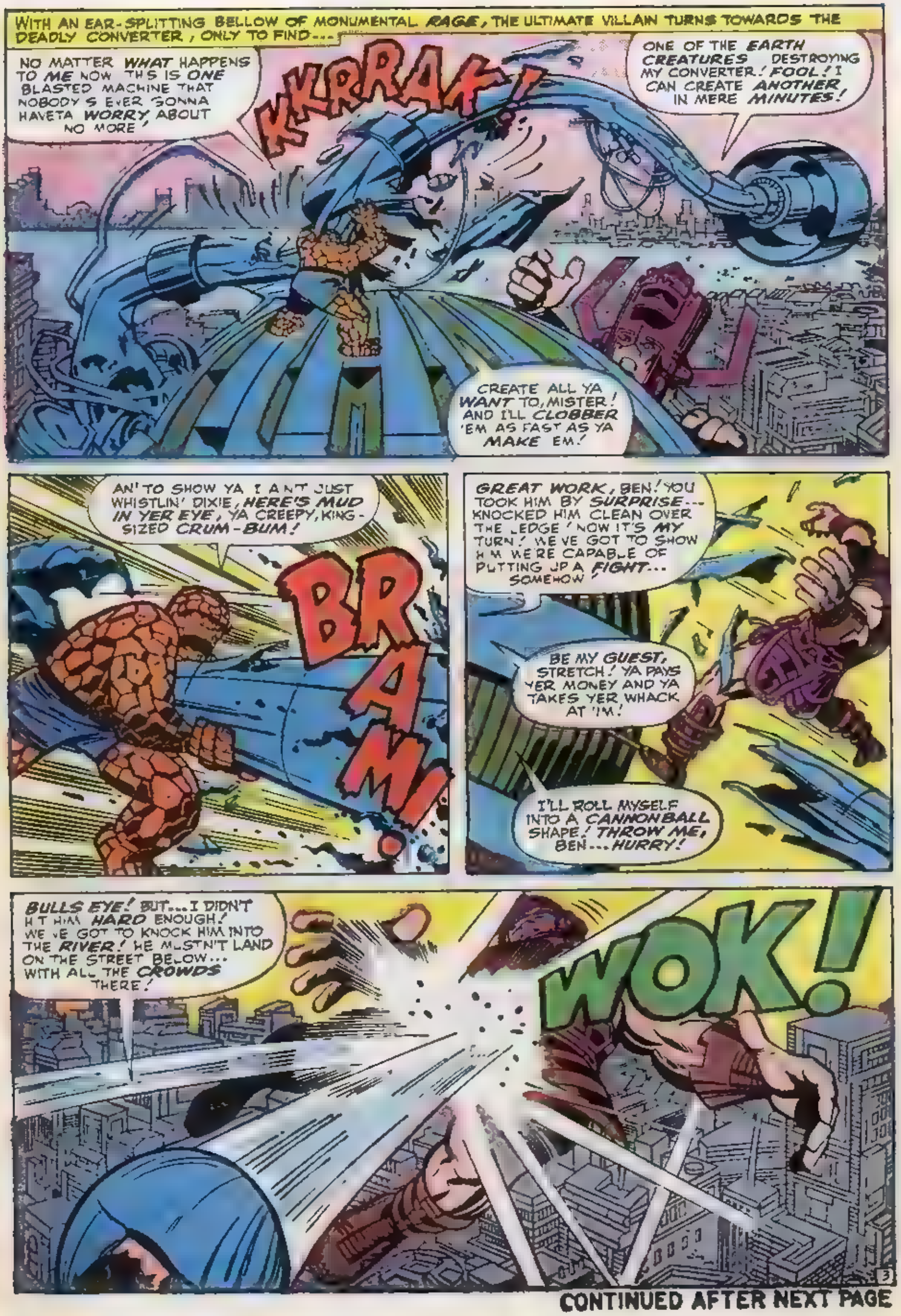
SHUDDUP, PHIL! YOU TRYIN' TO START A PANIC??!
THE GIANT HAS CREATED SOME SORT OF FORCE FIELD AROUND THE BUILDING! NO ONE CAN REACH HIM... EXCEPT THE FABULOUS F.F.!
WHILE, ATOP THE BAXTER BUILDING, GALACTUS CALMLY PREPARES TO ACTIVATE HIS DEADLY ENERGY CONVERTER...!
ALL I NEED DO IS LINK THESE TWO IGNITERS...
...AND ALL THE SEAS OF EARTH SHALL BE TRANSFORMED INTO THE PUREST ENERGY...
..ENOUGH ENERGY TO SUSTAIN ME UNTIL I FIND THE NEXT SUCH PLANET SOMEWHERE IN THE ENDLESS COSMOS!
AND THEN, WHILE A WORLD WATCHES BREATHLESSLY... THE CONTACT IS MADE!
BUT, THE GREAT GALACTUS REELS BACK IN STARTLED DISBELIEF...!
THE CONVERTER DOES NOT ROAR! IT IS NOT OPERATING!
NEVER... IN A THOUSAND MILLENNIUMS... NEVER HAS IT FAILED BEFORE!
WHY? WHY? WHY??



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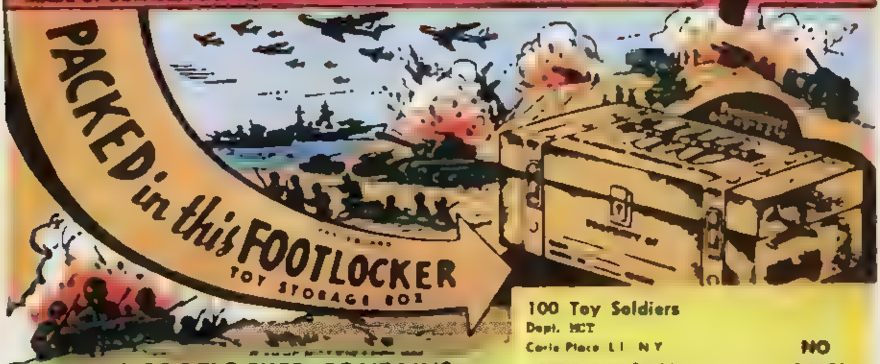

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WHIRRRRRRRD
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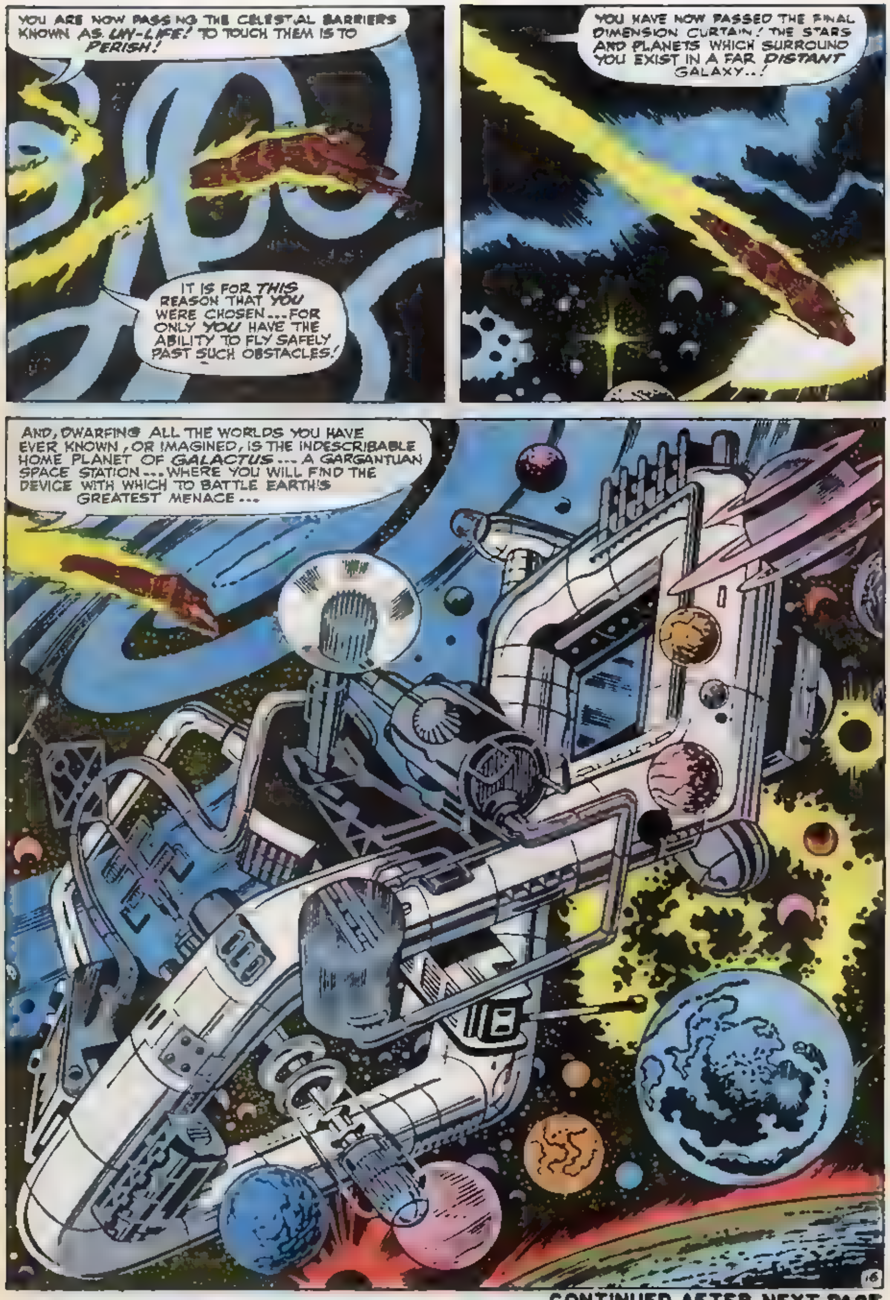

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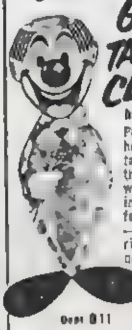

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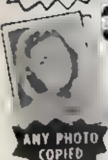

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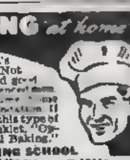

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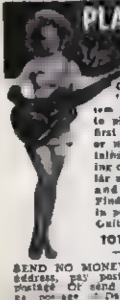

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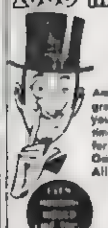

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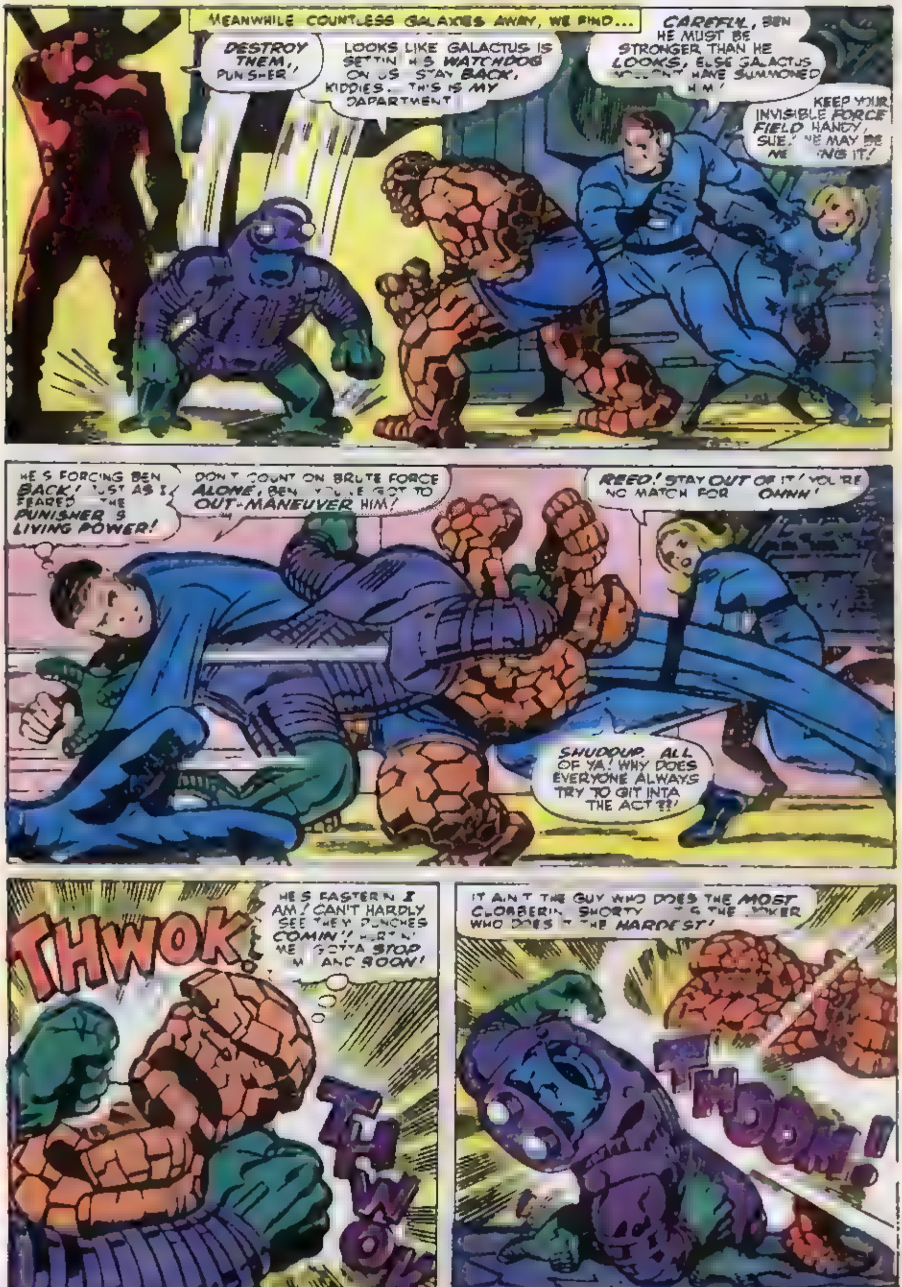

MEANWHILE COUNTLESS GALAXIES AWAY, WE FIND...
DESTROY THEM, PUNISHER!
LOOKS LIKE GALACTUS IS SETTIN' HIS WATCHDOG ON US! STAY BACK, KIDDIES... THIS IS MY DAPARTMENT!
CAREFUL, BEN! HE MUST BE STRONGER THAN HE LOOKS, ELSE GALACTUS WOULDN'T HAVE SUMMONED HIM!
KEEP YOUR INVISIBLE FORCE FIELD HANDY, SUE! WE MAY BE NE NG IT!
HE'S FORCING BEN BACK! JUST AS I FEARED... THE PUNISHER'S LIVING POWER!
DON'T COUNT ON BRUTE FORCE ALONE, BEN! YOU'VE GOT TO OUT-MANEUVER HIM!
REED! STAY OUT OF IT! YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR OHHH!
SHUDDUP, ALL OF YA! WHY DOES EVERYONE ALWAYS TRY TO GIT INTA THE ACT ??!
THWOK!
HE'S FASTER'N I AM! CAN'T HARDLY SEE THEM PUNCHES COMIN'! HURTIN' ME! GOTTA STOP HIM AND SOON!
THWOK!
IT AIN'T THE GUY WHO DOES THE MOST CLOBBERIN', SHORTY IT'S THE JOKER WHO DOES IT THE HARDEST!
THOOM!

STILL STANDIN', HUH?
OKAY, THEN I'LL PULL YA TO ME, AND... HUH?
HIS BLASTED CLAWED FEET ARE PULLIN' THE WHOLE CRUMMY FLOOR WITH 'IM!
KRRUNTCH!
FACE IT, BEN! YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR THE PUNISHER! TRY TO GET AWAY WHILE I RESTRAIN HIM!
"GET AWAY" MY FOOT! I'M JUST SITTIN' STARTED!
WOK!
BEN... YOU FOOL! I TRIED TO WARN YOU!
WE'RE NOT IN HIS CLASS! HE'S SUDDENLY TRIPLED HIS POWER! HE'S THROWING US OFF AS EASILY AS YOU'D BRUSH OFF A FLY!
I HEARD YA! I HEARD YA! SPARE ME THE "I TOLD YA SO'S," WILLYA?!!
KA-THUK KA-THUK!
BACK HERE, BEN... QUICKLY... WHILE YOU CAN!
INTO THE FORCE FIELD WITH REED! HURRY!
UNHHH! I HEAR YA TALKIN', SUSIE!
KA-THUK!
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EXACTLY TWO SECONDS LATER...
OKAY, LADY, I'M ALL RESTED UP! C'MON! C'MON! GIT ME OUTTA HERE SO'S I CAN WHALE INTO HIM AGAIN
NO, SUE! DON'T DO IT! MAINTAIN THE FIELD AS LONG AS YOU CAN! EVEN BEN'S PRIDE ISN'T THE IMPORTANT THING NOW!
WE MUSTN'T EXHAUST OURSELVES FIGHTING THE PUNISHER! IT ISN'T HIM... IT'S GALACTUS WHO'S THE ENEMY!
THUD! THUD! THUD!
ENOUGH, LOYAL ONE
BACK TO THE SHIP, NOW! YOU HAVE SERVED YOUR PURPOSE! YOU'VE HELD THEM AT BAY FOR YOUR MASTER!
YOU WUZ RIGHT, STRETCH! THE RUNT'S TAKIN' OFF! WE DON'T HAVETA WORRY ABOUT HIM NO MORE! BUT I SURE WOULDA LIKED ANOTHER CRACK AT 'IM!
THERE'S ALWAYS A CHANCE, DARLING SO LONG AS WE'RE ALIVE!
YEAH? HOW MUCH LONGER'LL THAT BE?
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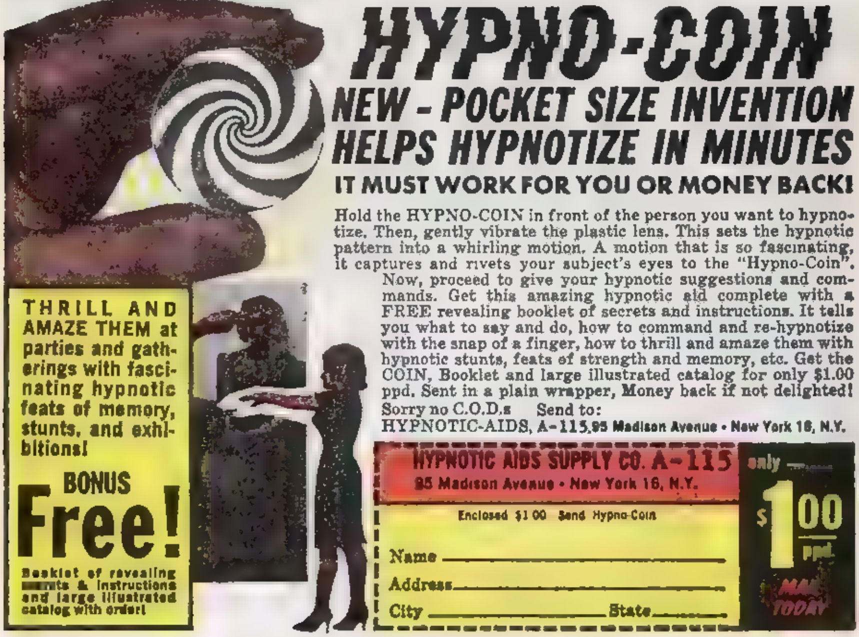
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HOW ABOUT THAT! Have you noticed how everybody seems to be talking about Marvel lately? Ol' smilin' Stan was interviewed on the Tony Marvin radio program "The World Today" (Mutual Network) in the early part of October, and has a number of other radio interviews scheduled as well. The Sept. '65 ish of ESQUIRE included the Hulk and Spidey among the 28 people who count most on campus! Other national mags, too numerous to mention here, have also been spreading the word about Marvel, while many collegiate publications (including U.C.L.A.'s PELICAN) have asked for permission to do write-ups about the merry Marvel craze which is sweeping fandom! We kinda thought you madcap Marvelites would like to know the company you're in!

DIDJA KNOW? Didja know that you serious collectors can build a complete file of all our early super-hero stories by not missing an ish of the sensational giant-sized 25¢ MARVEL COLLECTORS' ITEM CLASSICS, on sale every three months! (Of course, it'll take a few centuries for us to reprint ALL our early epics in this manner, but think of the fun you'll have growing old with Marvel!)—Didja know our mail has been running a zillion to one in FAVOR of continued stories, although we've been printing more of the negative reactions because they're usually more provocative!—Didja know that lots of Marvelites have been coloring the drawings of our cavortin' characters which appear on your Marvel stationery kits, and they look terrif that way! Just a suggestion, pussycat! Didja know that the first Dr. Strange to appear in the wonderful world of Marvel was actually a VILLAIN! He was featured in one of the earliest Iron Man yarns. (And don't embarrass us by asking which ish — naturally we've forgotten!)

STRICTLY PERSONAL! STAN G., our curly-haired, mustachioed demon artist/colorist has just drawn an ad for one of the biggest soft-drink companies. (Its initials are No-Cal!) If you're in the Times Square area, you can see it on the biggest billboard in sight. Otherwise, you'll have to wait till it gets to your neck of the woods. But, you can't fail to recognize it—the gals look like the dolls from the MILLIE THE MODEL mag—which Stan draws, natch! . . . How many of you know that MICKEY SPILLANE, the world-famous author of the MIKE HAMMER series, used to scribble scripts for the Marvel bullpen? In fact, Mike once advised Stan to take a comic script, jazz it up just a bit, and he'd end up with a swingin' novel! Well, maybe one of these days—! . . . Remember ol' BILL EVERETT, the Golden Age great who created SUB-MARINER, and who also did the first ish of DAREDEVIL? Bill is hankering to rejoin the bullpen again, on a permanent basis, and we're all hoping he will! His style is as exciting as KIRBY's, as different as DITKO's, and as unforgettable as AUSTIN's! More about Bill later. . . . ROY THOMAS, our newest Marvel maniac, is probably the only editorial-staffer who can read hieroglyphics! (Although it's been so long since he tried, that he now claims he can just barely remember the diff between an owl and an ibis!) Next week we're gonna try him on Sanskrit! (Although who could tell if he did it right or not?)

DEPARTMENT OF UTTER CONFUSION! As most of you know, our Marvel masterworks are sold in practically every part of the free world! Whether you live in South Africa or Siam, Paris or Portugal, you've no excuse for missing an ish! (And we're checking on you every minute!) But, did you know how each country changes the various names in each mag? For instance—Marvelmania has been sweeping most of Mexico these days. But, in translating our yarns into Spanish, some of our syncopated super-heroes are re-christened in this way: The HULK becomes La MOLE (two syllables, meaning bulk, or mass)! The THING finds himself called EL COLOSO (the colossal one)! And DAREDEVIL is translated as EL DYNAMO! (This incredible information is unconditionally guaranteed to do you absolutely no good whatsoever!) Wait! There's more! Guess what DR. STRANGE is known as, south of the border? Aw, someone must have told you! How'd you know it was DR. CENTELLA (Dr. Spark!)? Anyway, our tantalizin' titles are sold thruout Latin America with one exception—the bearded one has banned all comic books in Cuba as subversive literature! That's probably the nicest compliment we've had all year!

Let's meet 26 more M.M.M.S. members!

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THE WRAP-UP! Since we've just about run out of room, we'll leave you now with these imperishable words of Irving Forbush: "Maybe a Marvel mag isn't as edifying as the complete works of Shakespeare, but it's a lot easier to carry! So, in the name of erudition, MAKE MINE MARVEL!" 'Nuff said, aficionado!

THE MIGHTY MARVEL CHECKLIST

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Fantastic Four Fan Page

Send letters to LEE and KIRBY
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Dear Stan and Jack,

Lately, there seems to be a trend in your plots to eliminate any romantic implications. Please don't. Although your major objective is action, I personally enjoy the excellent characterization so typical of your best issues. Your heroes and villains are more than cardboard human beings. They think, feel, believe. I have yet to see a Marvel hero or villain who failed to interest me as a person. Because the romantic situation revealed greater depths of their personalities, I feel that it is a great error to remove this important aspect of the story. My reason for writing this letter to the Fantastic Four lies in the possible romance between Johnny Storm and Crystal. This would be a step in the right direction. Please don't disappoint me.

Ronald Lindenboom, Box 1121, Men's Graduate Ctr.
Duke University, Durham, No. Car. 27706

Disappoint *you?* How do you think poor *Johnny* feels about the whole sordid situation? By the way, Ron — didja know that Stan spent a few months at Duke University during World War II? Not as a student — he was serving in the Signal Corps at the time, writing training films there at the campus. (Which is possibly one of the least important gems of information we've ever disseminated!)

Dear Stan and Jack,

I've just finished F.F. #46 and I judge it one of the best yarns you've turned out in some time. The art may have slipped a bit, some of the characters managed to get into some mighty weird contortions once in a while, but on the whole, it was outstanding. You've heard me gripe many times in the past about the continued stories, and this one had the same failing but was, nonetheless, good. Black Bolt, Medusa, and the rest of the Inhumans are the freshest, most original idea to come along in years — a whole family of super-powered characters! In fact, a whole race of them! The Thing's battle with Black Bolt was really gripping, but half the time I found myself rooting for the silent adventurer — how's that?! The Inhumans are so good they deserve their own series — "Tales of the Inhumans!" — wouldn't that be a gas? Of course, you have to develop this romance between Johnny and Crystal. (If she's an Inhuman, where do I join?) I'll never forgive you if you let it drop. For a while I thought you were going to develop a romance between Torch and Medusa even though the lady of the living locks is a little old for him. But Crystal is even more of a knockout than Medusa, and a lot better than Dorrie Evans, who was always bugging Torchy about his flame. While you're at it, I wish you'd resolve the problem of that poor Dragon Man. He's no villain; furthermore, he doesn't have the sense to attempt to be one. He's like the Frankenstein monster — the poor slob would have been friendly if anyone had cared in the beginning, but when a guy is hounded and hunted for so long, he just gives up and strikes out indiscriminately.

Dave Cockrum, YN3, 699 39 33, VF-124 Maint.
NAS Miramar, Calif 92145

We'd *love* to resolve the problem of Draggie, Dave — but how? We can't just take 'im to the Bide-A-Wee pet shop — or give him to a favorite uncle! And he can't draw well enough to work in the bullpen! If we could only teach him to letter like Artie Simek! (Sam Rosen just said he thought Dragon Man was Artie Simek! -- Ouch!)

Dear Stan and Jack,

FANTASTIC FOUR combines all the best elements of the Marvel formula, including the freedom from formula which is your most refreshing trait. The recent stories in this series (beginning with the battle with Dr. Doom and including the marriage story in the Annual) are better, I think, than even *you* suspect. There is much talk of the Golden Age in your letters pages as a kind of Platonic, transcendent model for you to imitate. I am as nostalgic as the next person but I would say that, in the FANTASTIC FOUR, the Marvel Age has surpassed the Golden Age in both imagination and technical excellence. Keep up the good work.

W. A. Krohn, 3337 Yale Station
New Haven, Conn.

We can't, W. A.! We're too busy beaming with unabashed pride after reading your pulse-pounding paean of phantasmagoric praise! Many thanks, ol' buddy!

Dear Stan and Jack,

I rarely have time to write things like this because I should spend the time doing homework. School notwithstanding, I must compliment you on your new smash — MARVEL COLLECTORS' ITEM CLASSICS. I thought you'd never get around to reprinting F.F. #2! Though I had read the other tales, I was completely fascinated by this publication.

Allen Howlett, Jr., 2314 Josie Avenue
Long Beach, Calif. 90815

Glad you liked it, Al — and we hope you snap out of your fascination in time to latch onto the following issues as well! Now get back to your homework, hear? You know how we pride ourselves upon having the most erudite readers in town!

Dear Stan and Jack,

Jack Kirby and Joe Sinnott make the greatest art team that I have ever seen! Gorgon! Medusa! Dragon Man! If that wasn't enough, you gave us — Crystal! Lockjaw! Triton! Karnak! Black Bolt! The most exciting characters you've ever presented! Don't make them real villains! Give them their own comic book! The Inhumans! What a team! Why not? Can't talk about them anymore now. Have to take a tranquilizer to calm down. That about sums it up. What's this about model kits of your heroes? Greatest idea of the century! Do it! No kidding, are you going to arrange it? I gotta know!

Pete von Sholly, Box 148
Chatham, N. Y. 12037

It's already been arranged, Petey! Everything's all set! It'll probably take another few months before our merry Marvel models can be put on sale, but watch for the announcements to come. We promise you one thing — when we've got a zillion model kits all ready to be sold, we're sure as shootin' not gonna keep it a secret!

Dear Stan and Jack,

Shame! Shame! For the world's greatest scientist, Reed Richards exhibits a lamentable ignorance of basic quantum mechanics. In F.F. #46 he claims that Black Bolt absorbs energy from the electrons around him and converts it into speed and power. However, if he were able to do this, he would create an electron with lower energy which would have to enter some lower electron orbital, and since all the lower orbitals are filled shells or subshells, this is clearly impossible by the Pauli Exclusion Principle. Strike One! Neither would he remove an electron completely from the atoms of the air since the energy required to do this is almost twice the maximum possible energy he could expect to obtain from the liberated electron. (Any table of ionization potentials will bear this out.) Strike two! And, of course, controlled nuclear fission of the electron by the equation $E=MC^2$ is impossible, since we are not dealing with a complex trans-uranic atom and besides, Black Bolt has no equipment for such a reaction. Strike three! You're out, fellas! It just goes to show that

although Marvel is a law unto itself in the field of comics, it still cannot go around flouting the chemical and physical laws that govern the rest of us poor mortals. Perhaps you guys should hire a scientific consultant before you try to explain how your various phenomena occur. And I would also like to hear your alternate explanation. Apart from this you're doing a great job and don't worry! I'll still buy every issue. Mike Glicksohn, 5 Lansing Court Willowdale, Ont., Canada

Whew! That's a relief! And we *did* hire a scientific consultant! Who do you think Irving Forbush is? As for our alternate explanation, we'll attempt an answer some day, as soon as someone can explain what in the name of Aunt Petunia you're talking about! Y'know, Reed Richards may be a great scientist — but poor Stan and Jack can't open a safety pin without peeking at the directions!

Dear Stan and Jack,

I have just finished reading and rereading F.F. #46. I felt it was my duty as a human to write you this letter. I am a mere female, and I'm not in the least bit ashamed to say that I have flipped over two things, the Beatles and the FANTASTIC FOUR. And I'm not the only one who feels this way. While I was uneducated to Marvel Comics I was a Brand X lover. That was until I traded and came up with an F.F. ANNUAL. Now I think that other comic books are kid stuff. This is why: Other super-heroes never have any human emotions such as fear, sadness, or anger. They make you feel like you're reading about a bunch of robots. Whenever they have girls they make them look like and act like men. Oh, how I hate that! There's where Sue Storm has them beat by a country mile. I also finished reading your MARVEL COLLECTORS' ITEM CLASSICS. I always knew that your art was the best, but from the time of those stories till now — what a change! I would also like to comment on TALES TO ASTONISH. Personally I don't care too much for the Hulk, but he's all right. I think the Sub-Mariner is the only one in comicdom who will ever make the Fantastic Four realize that there is someone else in the race for first place. 'Nuff said!

Kathy Sue Krajco, 1050 Beloit Avenue Janesville, Wisc.

We got a big kick out of your letter, Kathy — 'cept for the place where you mentioned that you don't care for our jolly green giant! It kinda surprised us, because you mentioned that you like the Beatles. Next time you're flippin' thru ASTONISH, see who the Hulk's haircut reminds you of — okay?

Dear Stan and Jack,

You guys put out the greatest mags ever. There is absolutely no comparison. Your characters have a distinct human quality that stands out and gives each of them depth. I am not going to claim I've read 200,000 comics yet, but I am working on it. I have mounds of mags dating back to and including Captain Marvel. But never in the history of comic books have so many owed so much to so few for such a truly great series of mags. Your heroes don't just save cities and destroy evil monsters with impersonality and unconquerable brute force. Your people live with fear, hate, suspicion, love, jealousy, and the whole gamut of human emotions. They fall in love, fight amongst themselves, and clown around with a comic relief that is truly refreshing. Finally, the world has a group of heroes who are human, not just super fighting-machines with corny lines and shallow, impersonal attitudes. When I read your mag, I live and breathe with the heroes. I feel their emotions and I laugh at their quips. Every time Ben yells, "It's clobberin' time!" I crack up into hysterical laughter. Looking back, my favorite was when the F.F. met the Beatles. Benjy and Torchy were just the living end. Please let's have more of their cutting up. If it weren't for good ol' Ben, I wouldn't like the F.F. half as much — he's beautiful! Incidentally, I might add that I used to work for *Voo-Doo*, the M.I.T. humor magazine, and everyone up there thinks you are just the greatest. M.M.M.S. forever! One thing bothers me, though. Captain America by Jack Kirby, Sub-Mariner by Bill Everett, and other of your heroes appeared as early as 1940 in other mags. I know Jack Kirby is on your mag but what of the others? How come you got their heroes? Please enlighten me. Stephen Stumpp, 64 E. 91st St. New York City, N. Y.

Glad to, Steve. First of all, we didn't get *their* heroes — they were *our* heroes to begin with. Next, regarding breezy Billy Everett — guess who's gonna be drawing the Hulk from now on? That's right! Leave it to mixed-up Marvel to take the guy who first drew Sub-Mariner in the Golden Age, and assign him to the Hulk today! But, after you see it, we think you'll agree it's another Marvel master stroke!

Dear Stan and Jack,

What's the idea, huh? Reed has Sue, Ben has Alicia, but poor Johnny — who does he have? Nobody! Finally he meets Crystal and what do you guys do? You have her go into some dimension where Johnny can't get to her. (Issues #45 and #46, in case you forgot.) Whatsamatta? Do you have something against teenagers going with girls? I think many fans would agree with me in bringing back Crystal and having her live like a normal girl. Also, I think you should have Reed invent a formula that would enable Ben to change back to his human form and to the Thing again at will . So until old Doc Doom becomes a loyal fan of the F.F., good-bye. And don't forget Irving Forbush's last words — Make Mine Marvel!

Kenneth Kirby, 140 Banner Way Pittsburgh 1, Penna.

We wish they *were* his last words, Ken! We can't shut the guy up!

Dear Stan and Jack,

I just finished reading F.F. #46 — it was terrific! I especially like Black Bolt. After the end of Hydra, I'd like you to make him a regular in STRANGE TALES. I think you are overdoing it with Lockjaw. I've heard of big dogs,but this is ridiculous! Who ever heard of a gigantic dog with antennae sticking out of his head!?!

Phil Watgen, 141 Kathleen Drive Elgin, Ill.

Fellas who can shake a whole building by stamping their foot — or gals who can hold a man immobile with their trained hair — *that* you've heard of! It's only *Lockjaw* who bothers you, huh, Phil? Okay, pal — we love ya just the same!

Dear Stan and Jack,

I would like to congratulate you on your F.F. story — "Lo, There Shall Be An Ending!" It was great! But I would like to ask who does the superb coloring in your books? I have been wondering about this for a long time and would like to know.

Kevin Morgan, 826 Central Avenue Johnstown, Penna.

Believe it or not, Kev, it's the same joker who draws MILLIE THE MODEL! He signs his name Stan G. (whenever we *allow* him to, that is!)

NEXT ISH: It's *surprise time again!* Not only will the great May issue of FANTASTIC FOUR feature the conclusion of the glorious Galactus epic, but — it will also begin a new chapter in the life of the Human Torch, as Johnny Storm finally enters college! You'll see a number of loose ends all tied-up in this landmark issue, as well as being in on the start of a new, totally different FF saga! We oughtta charge a dollar for a mag as great as this one — but it'll still be the same ol' 12¢ because, as we keep on telling you, we're all heart! So, whatever you do, wherever you go, don't miss FF #50 — it's living proof that it's possible to improve on perfection! So, till then, regards from Stan, Jack, Irving Forbush, and the Silver Surfer — we know a good parlay when we see one! *Face front!*

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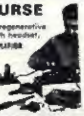

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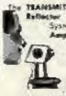

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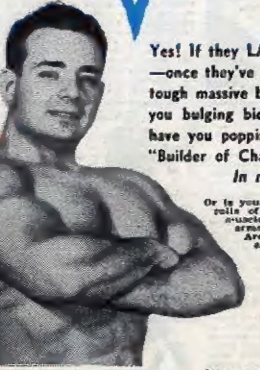

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